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**W. CALVIN CHASE, EDITOR.**

**How about Black Jack, Tim?**

The BEE enters into its 5th year to day and still the country is safe.

Subscribers for the BEE are requested to pay their subscription.

Marshall Wilson has created many needy reforms in his office.

Why not advocate qualified suffrage in the District?

Gladstones Irish Home Rule bill is booming.

Self first, enemies next and friends last should be an editors principles.

Senator Riddleberger has retired from the Senate District committee.

Phillips has an is a democrat

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**NEW BOOKS.**

The following books and pamphlets are for sale at the BEE office: Gen. Logan's book on the Great Conspiracy; Recorder Douglass' pamphlet, containing three great speeches, one at Louisville and the other two on District emancipation, and Mr. Wiggins' poems. Send for them, they are worth reading.

**DEATH OF JOHN KELLY.**

The death of Hon. John Kelly, the great Tammany chieftain is a great loss to the democracy of New York. Mr. Kelly was a man of nerve and one who was respected by all political parties. There was nothing mean about this great man, although he was a democrat, he was friendly disposed toward the Negro. Let him rest in peace.

**BRAVE MEN?**

It is amusing at times to hear men blow off surplus gas. We often hear people say I would not do such a thing. "If I should say such a thing I would stick to it. We are not one of those men. He who fights and runs away, lives to fight another day, but he who is in battle slain, will not be able to fight again." Wise and brave men think it better to run and return again, better prepared. "Traitors retreat when they are boldly confronted." We took the advice of friends before, we shall go on our own hook now. It shall be strictly business with foes and friends.

**AN ABJECT ASSERTION.**

The Washington correspondent of the New York Freeman, Wm. E. Matthews, said in a correspondence to that paper that we made an abject apology.

This gentleman was placed in an abject situation in 1883, and he must admit that the BEE was too honorable to make an abject exposure of the circumstances at that time. It is rather an abjectness on the part of Mr. Matthews to make such an abject assertion. If this fastidious correspondent had an objective point he would not be so abject in his assertion of those whose courage he craves. We are not to be apologized to any person who has been wronged by our correspondents.

**THE PRESIDENTS MARRIAGE.**

The marriage of President Cleveland to Miss Folsom at the Executive Mansion last Wednesday evening was one of the most brilliant events in the history of the nation. There was nothing flashing about it, but it was such a wedding as has been the characteristics of the President's life. His bride, who is a highly educated woman, was a daughter of the President's old friend and filled the position of the President's wife with dignity and grace. The ceremony was a simple one, but it was a wedding where the music was delivered by the President's own band. The parties were sadly disappointed on account of the heavy rain, but the bountiful repasts were to have been spread on the lawn and in shady nook were to be enjoyed in the music of the rain. On Sunday last a large number of our citizens availed themselves of the cheap rates to Washington to attend the dedication of the new Metropolitan church. They reported a pleasant trip and a happy day spent in the capital city.

Rev. Sam Jones, the evangelist took final leave of Baltimore on Monday night. He numbers his converts here by the hundred and is said to have felt well satisfied with the result of his labors. One notable feature about the meetings however, is, that no colored converts are reported among the great number saved. Mr. Jones has a singular and isolated style of pulpit oratory which subjects him to much open criticism and it may well be doubted if his slang phrase north provoking flights add anything to the grandeur of the Master's kingdom here below.

The new marriage license law which reduced the fee from \$4.50 to \$1.00 went into effect here on the first of June. Baltimore is proverbial for its numerous marriages, and now that this new inducement is thrown out to the unsuspecting young man, we expect the good work to be done. The state kindly gives up

to be fair, honest and just to those who have from time to time wished our downfall. We have battled for right and demanded recognition according to merit. The better thinking class of people in this community know that we have defended their interests so far as it was in our power. If the BEE had not been appreciated its existence would have terminated long ago. The fact that it does exist and shall continue is an evidence that it is appreciated.

We have watched with tender care the management of our colored public schools and still believe that the system should be reorganized. We believe that the double headed superintendency of our schools should be abolished, which will tend to put our schools upon the same basis with the whites. We are opposed to mixed schools and shall continue to advocate separate schools, as they are better under the present form of government. We shall continue to men of ability be appointed to the school board and if it is found that negroes are not content enough to fill the office, appoint those who are. We have friends enough, black and white, democrats and republicans, to aid us in inaugurating a system in our colored schools that will be an honor to the people. This being the fifth year of the existence of the BEE we renew our request for its support from an intelligent and law abiding class of citizens.

Our opposers have been the corrupt politicians, the knaves and those who have been disguised as lambs, but found to be wolves. The honest men and women have no fear; they will not cover corruption in any shape or form. The ascendancy of the democratic party has been a blessing, it has had a good effect in some instances and in others a bad effect.

It has caused Negro republican office holders to be more circumspect and Negro democrats to know that they are not wanted. It has taught us to let politics alone until we recognize the fact that it is necessary to respect each other and support our own institutions. These are the principles that we shall advocate. It shall be men with us and not party principles, not measures, but the law and the people.

**POSTMASTER VILAS SPEAKS IN BALTIMORE.**

**THE NEW MARRIAGE LAWS. FINAL LEAVE OF THE EVANGELIST, NEWS & C.**

(From our regular correspondent.)

Baltimore, June 1, '86.

Notwithstanding the gloom and heavy rainfall, Decoration day was very generally observed throughout Baltimore and vicinity, and the Grand Army of the Republic decorated the graves of the honored dead in memory of the departed. The various posts of the Grand Army of the Republic were held on the graves of the departed and at the same time were held in the music of the rain. On Sunday last a large number of our citizens availed themselves of the cheap rates to Washington to attend the dedication of the new Metropolitan church. They reported a pleasant trip and a happy day spent in the capital city.

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and the wise and provident can devote it to making home happy.

The formal transfer of the post mastership from Mr. L. Parker Veazy to Mr. Frank Brown his successor was made on the first instant. The mail service here is manned by new men already, of Mr. Veazy's choice, but Mr. Brown will not commit himself in regard to future changes.

T. McCants Stewart, Esq., of the New York bar delivered a splendid address on co-operation at Raine's Hall on Tuesday last.

Miss Mamie Hurst, one of our most amiable young county teachers read a paper before the Monumental Literary society at its last meeting. This association has grown to be a very popular organization and will hold its closing exercises for this season on the 17th instant.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Dolly Tenant of this city to Mr. Carl Bruce of Washington. Miss Tenant is a popular young lady and an energetic teacher, and will no doubt be quite an acquisition to Washington society. "Baltimorean."

**SOUTH WASHINGTON NEWS.**

The Lone Star Social club, gave an entertainment in the basement of the Virginia Avenue church, on Monday evening. Mr. J. K. Cooper, President, and Thomas Brown as chairman of the committee.

This community is completely wild with enthusiasm over the return of the Rev. R. H. G. Dyson to Washington, and especially to Wesley Zion, the neighbor of his own magnificent residence.

The Mt. Jezreel Baptist church gave an entertainment at the Grand Army Hall, 6th & C sts., Monday evening last.

The installation of the new Pastor, Rev. James H. Lee, to the 3rd Baptist church on Sunday last, was a very excellent affair. Addresses of welcome were made by many of the ministers invited. Rev. R. S. Laws, was master of ceremonies.

The month of June at the Virginia Ave. Baptist church, 6th and Va. Ave. n. w., will be enlivened with entertainments by different clubs of the church.

The Mt. Zion Baptist church of Arlington, Va. collected \$147.10 on Sunday last, toward their new meeting house.

Mr. Wm. J. Howard received many congratulations this week as a recent graduate in the ministry.

Several sudden deaths occurred recently in this section. The only thing that created excitement in this community on Sunday last, was the body of a dead man found under the cars.

**THE KNIGHTS OF CAPITAL.**

It has lately become necessary for the bloated capitalists of this country to organize for the protection of their interests. A great association of national scope has therefore been formed, with assemblies representing almost every known occupation in which capitalists can be engaged.

A few days ago I was notified that I had been elected General Master Capitalist of the Knights. I entered upon my duties at once. Since then I have travelled all over the Eastern and Middle States, trying to keep the various assemblies from making the bad breaks which they seemed to think it was the proper thing to indulge in.

My seat as General Master Capitalist was hardly warm before I was called on to correct a blunder made by the Bankers' Assembly, K. of C. It was brought to my notice by my receiving a copy of a circular worded like the following: "The Bankers' Assembly, K. of C., hereby notifies all citizens to boycott the Boodle National Bank for reasons sufficient to us."

"All citizens of the Steenth Ward are hereby required to deposit in the Cashbox National Bank."

"All Wall Street brokers in want of loans on the stock of the Nowhere, Swampville & Nothing Railroad Company are required to take their collateral to the Downtown National Bankrupt for such accommodation."

"All merchants desiring to get commercial paper discounted are required to take it to the Skinner's National Bank."

"No bank will be permitted to discount commercial paper for less than — per cent."

"Mr. John C. Eno, of Canada, is hereby become a member of the Bankers' Assembly, K. of C., the Second National Bank is hereby

notified to reinstate him as its president, under penalty of being boycotted if such action is not taken within thirty days of date."

While I was addressing a meeting of the Bankers' Assembly on the hebetudinous crankiness of this sort of circular, a small kid of the messenger persuasion entered with a telegram for me. It was from the master capitalist of a district and read:

"Come to Slowpokolopolis at once. Streetcar Presidents' Assembly have ordered Cobblestone Avenue Railway to employ old maids for drivers and young widows for conductors, and to use only grav mules for draught purposes. Great excitement in city! Business generally suspended."

And that is the kind of running around I have to do all the time. —Tid Bits.

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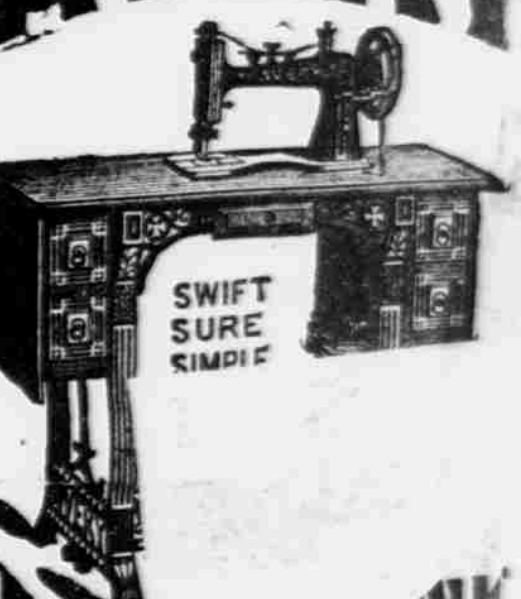
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